

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4123
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CHANGES IN TARIFF STRUCTURE OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have decided to counter volatility in petroleum prices by the use of changes in tariff structure;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has laid down the terms and conditions under which the tariff will be changed based on international movements of price of petroleum;
- (c) if so, the details of such conditions laid down;
- (d) whether the surcharges of Re. One on every litre of petrol will be removed immediately due to upward trend of international prices; and
- (e) if not, the reasons for continuing this surcharge?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a): No, Sir.

(a) and (c): Do not arise in view of the reply to part (a) above.

(b) and (e): The Government is not examining any proposal to remove the additional duty of one rupee on every litre of petrol. The reason for continuing with the additional duty is that the objective for which the additional duty was imposed is yet to be fully achieved.